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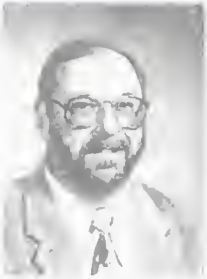

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer weather so far. Mother Nature has managed to cut my chore list down quite a bit by not bringing any rain to my area of MI in quite some time so lawn mowing is NOT taking up a lot of time. My wife's garden could use a healthy dose of rain along with all of the farm fields in our area. But, it is what it is, and we do have a pump in the lake so she can water those veggies! (Just waiting for those first ripe, red tomatoes!)

I'd like to take this time to thank all of you that make this club the success that it is. One of our trustees is stepping down this year. Chris Geiner is leaving the board because of his work. Chris has done a super job with keeping the club informed about the new issues that are constantly coming on the collector market. I don't think I would have gotten involved with the Labors of Hercules or the Zombucks series if Chris hadn't brought it to my attention. When we complain that no YN's (young numismatists) are coming into the field of collecting silver art, these are silver series that young people seem to be interested in collecting.

I brought both of those series to the Monroe Coin Club one month, and the YN's that were in attendance loved the looks of these rounds. Of course, the badgering of the grandparents began immediately. "Papa can you buy one of those for me" said one of the youngest members present. The "papa" was backed into a corner so managed to delay the results with the typical "We'll see" answer. So, THANK YOU, CHRIS! For helping me spend a gazillion dollars on these series. Also, as an added bit of information, Chris produces his own bars and rounds (CMG Mint). They are beautiful!

Thank you to the officers that keep their columns coming for the Bugle. Carrie, Jim, and Ed do a nice job of providing updates and additional information for club members. I've especially enjoyed Ed's articles about the early beginnings of the club. Randy Rush with the funny bone jokes has kept me laughing.

I would be amiss if I didn't thank Carlton Dodge for providing the Brain Teaser each issue. THANK YOU! Those of you that have submitted articles and letters to the secretary/treasurer are on my list of "thank you's" also. It is the involvement of the members that makes the club stronger and more enjoyable. I'd like to throw this idea out to the members that the Bugle contain a page of what members are collecting now. I know a lot of you use the different chat rooms and on-line sites to do this already, but I'd like to see some of these topics of interest reach the Bugle. I've had a run of buying the large state pieces, some of the B H Mayer pieces, silver eagle nests (both Foster and Capitol), the physical work-out bars of the good Doctor P., and some interesting silver art rounds that aren't listed in Archie's books. I believe Sandi Belcher hit it on the head when she said it was almost like cheating being able to find so many great bars on line.

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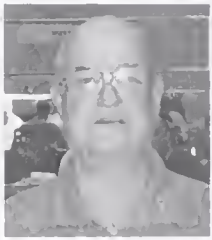
I'd like to hear from club members about the contests that the club offers. The design contest had 4 entries and the essay contest had only one entry. (Congratulations to Sandi Belcher on winning both of those.) Should the club continue to offer these contests? Let me know your feelings about the matter of contests. DON'T FORGET-PRICE OF SILVER CONTEST! Entries need to be in Randy's hands by early September.
If you haven't made your reservations for St. Charles yet-git 'er done! It looks to be a great show and IASAC get-together and I don't want you to miss it.
Writing this column after Memorial Day and this being the 4th of July weekend + Monday, I must thank all of you that have served in the military. I had 2 uncles I never met because of WW II. One died flying the Burmese hump and the other was a casualty at the Battle of the Bulge. Again, thank you for your sacrifices. They are not forgotten.
Take good care and keep on looking for those bars/rounds you NEED and WANT!

Doug



VP Outlook

by Jim Best
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From what I'm hearing, we plan to have a crowd at our annual meeting in October. I'm in hopes of setting an all time record in attendence. If you haven't made your reservations to come, do so now. The new club rounds are beautiful and Sandi Belcher should be congratulated for a job well done once again. We need more members submitting their designs to give Sandi some competition.

The silver market has been going up and down like a roller coaster these past few months. I don't know whether I should stockpile more silver or just keep buying and selling Guess I will stockpile while I'm buying and selling. Speaking of that, there's not a lot of that older stuff at shows anymore, so I guess someone else is stock piling also or it's all being melted and put into new bullion bars and rounds that you see so much of at shows.

I had an IASAC table at the July summer FUN show in Orlando and talked to several attendees about collecting silver bars for their art work and not bullion value. They were amazed that silver art bars and rounds would demand a premium over spot. Hopefully, I made some new collectors of art bars and not just bullion.

Until next time have a great remaining summer and I am looking forward to seeing many members at our meeting at the show in St. Louis (St. Charles), Missouri.

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NEW ISSUES
Recently Released
SUBMITTED
by CHRIS GEINER

Take a tour through the Egyptian Underworld with the new Anubis 2 oz Ultra High Relief silver round from Provident Metals. Investors in silver bullion will delight in the craftsmanship and quality of the round, while collectors of Egyptian history will be mesmerized by the exquisitely crafted god of the dead. This high relief round is comprised of 2 troy oz of .999 fine silver and is IRA eligible.

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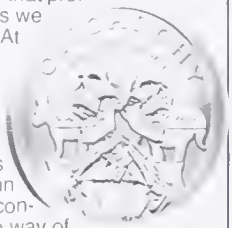
Specifications: 1 troy oz .999 fine silver
Diameter: 39 mm
The Silver Shield Vote Trump is a 1 ounce brilliant uncirculated strike available now.

Every four years we are given the choice of a new leader for this country. (At least that is what we are told.) The one undeniable fact remains, that no matter who is in power, debts keep rising, wars keep raging, liberties are lost and middle class is gutted.

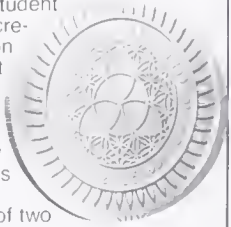
This is because we have institutional theft by an oligarchy that profits off of the political illusion of freedom. Every four years we are given the hope that real change is just a vote away. (At least that is what we are sold.)



Another undeniable fact is that the problems are too big to reform from within. Government spending is now 36% of the GDP and we know how people react to change when their paycheck is dependent upon it.

The federal deficit is now larger than the GDP which is only sustained by Zero Interest Rate Policy, any raise in real rates is fatal. 70% of the economy is based off of consumer debt spending which essentially means our entire way of life is based off of spending more than we produce.

Our youngest generation now have over $1 trillion in student loan debt which is preventing new families from being created. Adult obesity is now 27.7% which will be a drag on the economy with the myriad of health problems that come with it.



The fastest growing part of the truly sick economy is health care spending, and this is before real Obamacare kicks in next year. The wealthiest zip codes are now within commuting distance of Washington DC. Wealth is now made with graft and connections not innovation.

Every four years we are given the choice of the lesser of two evils. (Isn't this getting old?) The rational individual sees that while the current paradigm may be doomed, your world does not have to be. By stacking historically significant silver that breaks this political illusion is one of the best ways of transferring your savings out of the doomed paradigm into real tangible wealth. The 2016 Silver Shield 1 oz Oligarchy BU graphically shows the true nature of the oligarchy that owns the system.

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Villains beware; Superman has landed on the **Royal Canadian Mint's** 2016 1 oz Silver Superman Coin. The quality and craftsmanship of the RCM is evident in the release of this .9999 fine silver, 1 troy oz silver coin. Diversify your silver bullion collection today with this IRA approved one ounce silver coin.
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Hurry because the 2016 1 oz Silver Superman Coin is only on Earth for a limited time. Order by calling 800-313-3315.

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The reverse of the Mount Rushmore round features a three dimensional, ultra high relief rendering of the earth, and bears the inscriptions "AMERICAN LANDMARKS", and "2 oz .999 FINE SILVER".
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The newest Economic Crisis issue is now available from **CMG MINT** Slaving Santa exposes the truth about what the North Pole is really like. Jobs are taken from Americans and outsourced to foreign countries who pay their workers slave wages. Prices are $46 plus shipping for Prooflike (mintage 65) and $55 plus shipping for Enamel (mintage 55). Order by calling 419-279-3283 or email at goldnugget86@aol.com

A Note from Bill Doty

A Question for all IASAC members

Is anyone interested in making an IASAC club catalog of unlisted bars that are not in any of the books that Archie Kidd produced. I have over 100 bars that I have not been able to find in any catalog. If anyone is interested have them contact me and we could talk about it.

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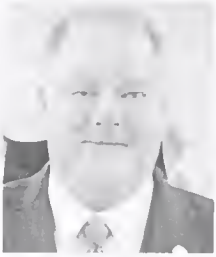
...for the funny bone
by Randy Rush



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Advanced Driving Test

You are driving in a car at a constant speed. On your left hand side there is a valley and on your right hand side there is a fire engine travelling at the same speed as you.
In front of you there is a galloping pig which is the same size as your car and you cannot overtake it. Behind you there is a helicopter flying at ground level. Flying Pig
Both the giant pig and the helicopter are travelling at the same speed as you.
What must you do to safely get out of this highly dangerous situation?
Get off the merry-go-round - you're drunk!

The Thief and the Parrot

Late one night, a burglar broke into a house that he thought was empty. He stealthily crept through the lounge and was stopped dead in his tracks when he hearo a loud voice clearly saying, 'Jesus is watching you!'
Silence returned to the house, so the burglar crept forward again. 'Jesus is watching you', the voice rang out again.
The thief stopped dead again. He was frightened out of his wits. Frantically, he looked all around. In a dark corner, he spotted a birdcage and in the cage was a parrot.
He asked the parrot, 'Was that you who said Jesus is watching me?'
'Yes', said the parrot.
The burglar breathed a heavy sigh of relief and asked the parrot: 'What's your name?'
'Ronald', said the bird.
'That's a stupid name for a parrot, 'sneered the burglar.' What idiot named you Ronald?'
The parrot said, 'The same idiot who named the Rottweiler Jesus.'

Swatt'in Flies

A woman came home to find her retired husband waving a rolled up newspaper round his head.
Wife: 'What are you doing dear?'
Husband: 'Swatting flies - I got 3 males and 2 females'
Wife. 'How on earth do you know which gender they were?'
Husband: 'Easy - 3 were on the beer, and the other 2 were on the phone'

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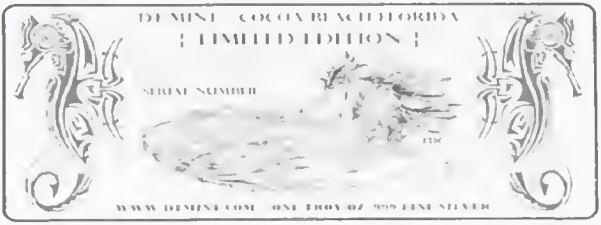

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Brain Teaser

Winners will be selected from correct answers received on or before September 2, 2016.

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Thanks to all those who sent in an answer to the last puzzle created once again by Carlton Dodge. Thanks, Carlton! The theme was "Boston and Vicinity". Congratulations to Bruce Holland for being the only one who found the word that appeared twice - "Lobster". Thanks to those who participated and sent in their puzzles with all the other words found once: Eric Kwoczka, Kathy Skelton, John Daino, Craig McCulloch, Lynnae Clark, and Bill Doty

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For your challenge this month, find these words relating to: PETROLEUM procedures and uses.

Please find: **acetylene, asphalt, benzene, butane, catalyst, chapstick, coal, cracking, crudes, distillation, drill, ether, fraction, fuel, gusher, isomers, kerosene, knocking, lube, mothballs, natural gas, octane number, oil, organic, paraffin, petroleum, polyethylene, propane, refinery, reforming, saturated, tar, Titusville PA, vaseline, well**

Is there any word that appears twice?_____

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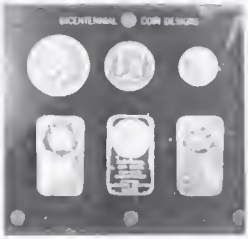

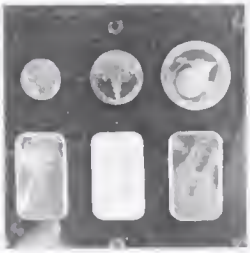

"I found this pretty neat set I had not seen before. It features 2 ingots from Don Adams Companies. GDM-5 Quarter dollar-Flags (Mintage-300) and GDM-6 Quarter Dollar Map (Mintage-500)."
Then the third is listed under Green Duck Mint GDM-8 Bicentennial Coin Design (Mintage 343). They were all submitted for the Bicentennial Coin Design contest and were all finalists, but didn't get selected. More information about these ingots is listed in the Guide Books. Also in the set as pictured are the Eisenhower Dollar, Kennedy Half Dollar, and the Washington Quarter with the designs that were selected. I believe these are the 90% Silver Proof coins but not sure. Just wanted to see if anyone else had seen this set? Or have you found any interesting treasures to share with the club? Thanks! Randy Rush

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Welcome! ***Jack Silvers*** is a new member.

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Tommy Granados and Will Rossman were at the Summer FUN show and both plan to attend the annual meeting in St. Louis. Both looking forward to a great time. **Let's have a record setting attendance record.**

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Don't forget you can now pay for your dues via PayPal. Just send it via Friends and Family with no fees. Send your payment to IASACBugle@aol.com.

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Please send in articles to publish in the Bugle. Needed some educational articles, some funny articles, or just an article about an unusual find of silver art. Or a story about meeting a friend at a coin show that also collects art silver and what you talked about and shared of your art collecting interests. A good story is always fun to read about.
Let's everyone put on our thinking caps and try to get a short article written for the next couple Bugles.

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NEEDED!!! Ideas of what to do for those attending the St. Louis meeting. No plans for Wednesday or Thursday? Check with other members who plan to attend. Maybe a tour of the area or a shopping trip or Casino stop?

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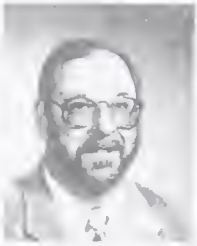

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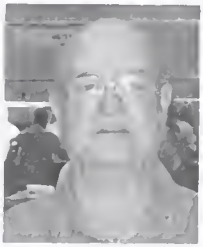

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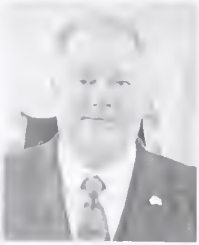

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FROM THE BEGINNING V

By Ed Lantz

The Silver Bugle was mailed out on August 21, 1986.

Will Rossman had a great article on MOTIVATIONS. This was in regards to the very few that are motivated solely by their love of the hobby. Others are motivated by a commercial interest which may be advanced by their participation. Still others are gratified by the status they achieve with their peers. In many cases it is a combination of these factors. The first factor is the amount of time each person has available. The second is the amount of time they are willing to devote to the hobby. At this point in our history we are now at 170 members (after I year). Everybody loves getting the Silver Bugle but very few have been sending in articles and therefore we missed an issue. The IASAC will be much better if we all work together!

The ballot as included with the slate of officers and trustees as follows:

President Will Rossman, ballot as included with the slate of officers and trustees as follows:

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Ballots are to be received in the mail by September 9, 1986 or can be dropped off at the registration desk by noon, Saturday, September 13. They will be tabulated by the Election Committee at that time.

The election results will be announced at the banquet on Saturday night.

The full schedule for the Cincinnati Convention was listed.

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There will be two Trading Sessions at the convention. One at 9 PM on Friday night and one at 8 AM on Saturday. No money will be allowed to change hands in the room. It is trading only. It is also a great time to meet the other IASAC members.

The Board meeting is scheduled on Thursday from 10 AM until 5 PM with a break for lunch.

The Grand Banquet is Saturday night at 7 PM and tickets are $15. Registration for the convention is $5 per family.

The room rates were $33 Single and $43 double.

The new art bar catalogue will be available at the convention at a cost of around $30.

The final Maritime Mint (Will Rossman) mintages for serial numbered issues were listed.

We had an ad from Will Rossman and Duane Spellman who combined on a joint project Clowning Around. Silver $10.95 and Enamel $27.50.

There was a combined ad from Silver Bar Heaven (Ed Lantz) and Silver Bar Bull (Harold Frisbie) with over 1000 art bars. $1 if mailed or free at the convention.

The Silver Mine Harvey Chew also had a fill page ad with some great silver rounds and rectangles.

The Oregon Mint had a full page ad listing their Members of the Hall of Fame Series $21.95 each plus $2 Shipping per order.

Another great issue of The Silver Bugle and a great time in the history of IASAC.

Watch for Part VI in the next Bugle that comes out in October. We'll try hard to get the October issue in the mail before Occtober 1, so everyone has it before the October meeting.

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The two pictures above are the exact line art that Sandi Belcher has chosen for this years club round. The enameled speciman does not do the color justice. It is really beautiful. I hope everyone ordered theirs. There will be a few for sale at the St. Charles convention. If there are any left over after the meeting, they will be put onto the website for sale. **(All older club rounds and ingots can be found on the website "thesilverbugle.com")** If you missed the deadline for ordering and decided you would like to have one, send me an email and we will see what can be done. You will have to take the serial numbers that we have on hand as we had to cut off the ordering of numbers as of August 1. The creation of this year's round was a joint effort by several people this year. Thanks go out to Doug Jennings who got the ball(round) rolling along with Sandi Belcher's help for taking over and working with SilverTowne to get what she wanted on the bar and Chris Geiner's help with the line art. It's in the hands of Marcia at SilverTowne now. We should have the product in time for our meeting in October.

Several members who have not attended a meeting in awhile plan to attend this meeting. If anyone has questions about this meeting, please feel free to call Doug at 734-279-1728 or Jim and Carrie Best at 863-644-0903 or 863-640-4840.

SEE YOU ALL IN ST. LOUIS!!!

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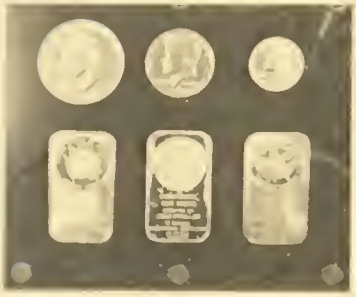
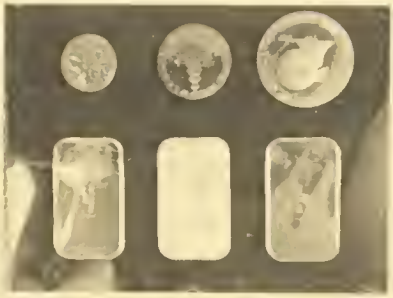
and other important information





Hello to all,

I found this pretty neat set I had not seen before. It features 2 ingots from Don Adams Companies: GDM-5 Quarter dollar-Flags (Mintage-300) and GDM-6 Quarter Dollar Map (Mintage-500).

Then the third is listed under Green Duck Mint GDM-8 Bicentennial Coin Design (Mintage 343). They were all submitted for the Bicentennial Coin Design contest and were all finalists, but didn't get selected. More information about these ingots is listed in the Guide Books. Also in the set as pictured are the Eisenhower Dollar, Kennedy Half Dollar, and the Washington Quarter with the designs that were selected. I believe these are the 90% Silver Proof coins but not sure. Just wanted to see if anyone else had seen this set? Or have you found any interesting treasures to share with the club?

Thanks! Randy Rush

Store items can be found on our website!

www.thesilverbugle.com

Mix up on PO Box for Randy Rush for the Silver Contest has been resolved. If you sent your Price of silver entry and it was returned to you, please resend it or send it via email to Randy Rush at:

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Randy apologizes for any inconvenience.

Contest is still open until September 6, 2016

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